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Ajit Pai - FCC Chairman,

We are writing to express our opposition to the proposed changes in FCC regulation that could change the way Milford TV and other PEG Access stations around the country receive funding. We oppose the FCC's "Small Cell Order" and "In-Kind Offset Rule" proposals.

We believe that Cable Access is an essential asset to any and all communities that wish to maintain an appropriate level of transparency within local government through coverage of local municipal meetings and hearings. PEG Access is also an essential outlet for 1st Amendment rights, as local residents and community groups use our facility and others like it to express themselves through digital media production. Our facility also provides a place for our younger student interns/volunteers to learn and grow through experience using our state-of-the-art production equipment and studios. Students are able to gain knowledge about the digital media production field that they may not otherwise receive through traditional schooling. We have sent several Milford area students to college through their experience here at Milford TV.

Milford TV Studios also provides a gallery space for local artists and hosts many concerts for local musicians. Taking away direct funding for Cable Access centers would be devastating for those who rely on the educational, governmental, and artistic outlets that we provide. It would also eliminate jobs and opportunities for many good, hard-working people in this industry. We see no good reason for these new proposals to be implemented.

Thank You

Robert O'Keefe, Executive Director